

HCS SB 786 -- INTOXICATING LIQUOR

SPONSOR: Schmitt (Gosen)

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on General Laws by a vote of 14 to 0.

This bill cleans up language in certain sections pertaining to intoxicating liquor and specifies that the admission fee for any organized event at which home-brewed beer is available without a separate charge is not to be considered a sale of the beer so long as the home brewer does not receive proceeds from the fee and the beer consumption occurs off licensed premises or on certain types of licensed premises (Section 311.055, RSMo).

Currently, a person can apply for a liquor license to sell intoxicating liquor by the drink at retail for consumption on a boat or other watercraft vessel licensed to carry 100 or more passengers. The bill reduces the number of passengers to 30 or more and removes the restriction of operating a boat or vessel only on Table Rock Lake when the number of passengers is 45 to 99 (Section 311.091).

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that the bill fixes inconsistent language in Missouri statute.

Testifying for the bill was Senator Schmitt.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.